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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: LYNDON W. GRAHAM ET AL.

APPLICATION No.: 09/910,481

FILED: July 19, 2001

FOR: ELECTROPLATING SYSTEM HAVING AUXILIARY
ELECTRODE EXTERIOR TO MAIN REACTOR
CHAMBER FOR CONTACT CLEANING OPERATIONS

EXAMINER: W. T. LEADER

ART UNIT: 1742

CONF No: 3202

Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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Sir:

In the Notice of Allowability mailed March 29, 2005, the Examiner allowed claims 57-64. Although the applicant's attorney agrees with the Examiner's conclusion that these claims are allowable, the applicant's attorney notes that the claims may be allowable for reasons other than those identified by the Examiner and does not concede that the Examiner's characterizations of the terms of the claims and the prior art are correct.

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